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NEWTON MAN SENTENCED TO TWO YEARS FOR TAX EVASION

BOSTON, MA - A Newton man was sentenced yesterday in federal court for attempting to evade over \$2 million in income taxes.

United States Attorney Michael J. Sullivan and Douglas A. Bricker, Special Agent in Charge of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation, Boston Field Office, announced that ROBERT D. EPSTEIN, age 61, of 133 Oak Hill Street, Newton, Massachusetts, was sentenced yesterday afternoon by U.S. District Judge William G. Young, on five counts of tax evasion.

On March 28, 2007, EPSTEIN pled guilty to charges that he failed to report as income approximately \$5,952,000 in money that EPSTEIN secretly removed from his law partnership. By failing to record the money he took from the partnership, EPSTEIN evaded approximately \$2,225,000 in federal income taxes.

EPSTEIN was sentenced to two years in federal prison, to be followed by three years of supervised release. During the period of supervised release, EPSTEIN is required to assist the IRS in its collection of unpaid taxes. In addition, the Court ordered EPSTEIN to pay a Fine of \$10,000 and Special Assessment of \$400.

The case was prosecuted by Linda Ricci and Paul Levenson of Sullivan's Economic Crimes Unit and was investigated by Special Agents of the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigations.

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